

MAY 15, 1959

313 SEELY FROM [] OW 916

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INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING SERVICE PLANNING TO TURN BACK TO OKINAWAN OWNERS APPROXIMATELY SIX-ACRE PLOT IMMEDIATELY ACROSS WARFIELD ROAD FROM OUR GSWK HOUSING. IBS MOTIVE: SKY-ROCKETING LAND RENTS WITH NO PLANS FOR HOUSING EXPANSION. ESTIMATED ANNUAL RENTAL SEVENTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS. PART OF THIS PLOT CURRENTLY USED BY IBS-FBIS AS BASEBALL DIAMOND. IF THIS PROPERTY TURNED BACK, OKINAWAN HONKY TONK VILLAGE IMMEDIATELY ADJACENT OUR AREA IS INEVITABLE. SIMILAR VILLAGE ALREADY EXISTS WEST OF HIGHWAY ONE. SUCH IS CURRENT FATE OF ANY NON-AMERICAN CONTROLLED PROPERTY IN VICINITY. FURTHER, THIS PROPERTY REPRESENTS ONLY POSSIBLE AREA FOR ANY FUTURE FBIS ADDITIONAL HOUSING. IF THIS PROPERTY REVERTS, FBIS WILL HAVE TO INSTALL HIGH SECURITY FENCE TO PROTECT OUR HOUSING AREA.

IN VIEW OF ABOVE FACTORS, RECOMMEND YOUR SERIOUS CONSIDERATION FBIS TAKING OVER THIS PROPERTY FROM IBS. PLEASE ADVISE.

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672 [] FROM SEELY WA 007

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REUR OW 916. CONCUR IN NECESSITY RETAINING CONTROL. WILL MAKE REPRESENTATIONS TO USIA HERE. IN MEANTIME REQUEST YOU EXPLORE WITH AIR FORCE POSSIBILITY THEIR RETENTION SINCE PROPERTY APPEARS TO BE WITHIN CONFINES KADENA AIR BASE. PREFER AVOID FBIS TAKE-OVER UNLESS NO OTHER WAY ASSURE AGAINST REVERSION.

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REF YOUR WA 007 ON LAND REVERSION PROBLEM. AIR FORCE SHARES OUR OPPOSITION TO IBS TURNING BACK LAND. REASONABLY RPT REASONABLY CONFIDENT WE CAN BLOCK REVERSION WITHOUT NECESSITY OF FBIS TAKE-OVER.

USAF FIRST HEARD OF IBS PLANS THROUGH ME. TWO FACTORS SHOULD BE NOTED:

ONE -- IBS WOULD BE FAR LESS AFFECTED BY REVERSION THAN FBIS BECAUSE OF PLACEMENT OF HOUSES AND TOPOGRAPHICAL FEATURES SUCH AS CORAL OUTCROPPINGS.

TWO -- AIR FORCE WOULD BE LEAST AFFECTED OF ALL SINCE FBIS-IBS WOULD FORM BUFFER ISOLATING THEM FROM REVERTED LAND.

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